**SchoolsFirst FCU Team Members Help Harvest 6,000 Pounds of Produce on**

**Credit Union Industry’s *Development Education Day of Service***

**Tustin, Calif. (June 8, 2025)** – [SchoolsFirst Federal](https://www.schoolsfirstfcu.org/gateway/schoolsfirstfcu/home) Credit Union, the largest credit union in California and the largest serving school employees and their families, participated in the credit union industry’s annual Development Education (DE) Day of Service on June 11, joining forces with credit union teams from around the world to complete a day of community service. This designated day is for alumni who have completed the Credit Union Development Education (CUDETM) program to use their training individually or collectively to complete a project to improve the lives of others. Projects support the key areas where credit unions make a difference, including helping others overcome barriers to financial well-being in the areas of health, housing, hunger, access to credit, transportation, diversity and equity.

SchoolsFirst FCU team members volunteered at Second Harvest Food Bank’s Harvest Solutions Farm in Irvine, Calif., along with other volunteer groups from the region. Together, they harvested 6,000 pounds of fresh produce, which will be delivered throughout Orange County to college food pantries, senior centers, homeless shelters and other community groups that help those who may be experiencing food insecurity.

“The annual DE Day of Service is a powerful reminder of what makes the credit union movement so special,” said Diana Kot, Vice President, Membership Development & Advocacy at SchoolsFirst FCU. “Each year, our team members proudly give of their time, talents and passion to make a meaningful difference in the communities we serve. It’s a true reflection of our commitment to the people helping people philosophy that drives everything we do.”

For more than 40 years, the CUDETM program and its international alumni network have transformed the culture, strategy, outreach and impact of the credit union movement by inspiring people to live the credit union difference.

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About SchoolsFirst Federal Credit Union

SchoolsFirst Federal Credit Union is the largest credit union serving school employees, and for the seventh year in a row, Forbes has named SchoolsFirst FCU the top credit union in California. Serving school employees and their families, the organization is dedicated to delivering World-Class Personal Service and improving the financial lives of its Members. In J.D. Power’s 2025 inaugural U.S. Credit Union Satisfaction Study, its Members ranked them #1 for overall satisfaction. Today they serve nearly 1.5 million Members with a full range of financial products and services. SchoolsFirst FCU was founded in 1934, when 126 school employees pooled $1,200 and established a Member-owned cooperative to help improve each other's lives. The Credit Union has nearly $33 billion in assets and remains the largest credit union in California and the third largest credit union in the United States. For more information about SchoolsFirst FCU, visit schoolsfirstfcu.org.

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